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FOR EUR/WE MRS. SHIRLEY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OVIP (DEN UYL, J.M.) NL

SUBJ: DEN UYL VISIT: PROGRAMS FOR PRIME

MINISTER AND MRS. DEN UYL

REF: STATE 105503

1. MERCKELBACH IN PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE WAS INFORMED OF TENTATIVE APPOINTMENT FOR CHIEF JUSTICE BURGER TO CALL ON DEN UYL AT BLAIR HOUSE AT 3:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, MAY 14. MERCKELBACH EXPRESSED GRATIFICATION BUT POINTED OUT THAT DEN UYL WAS PLANNING TO HOLD PRESS CONFERENCE AT BLAIR HOUSE AT THAT TIME. DCM SURMISED THAT CHIEF JUSTICE'S SCHEDULE INCLUDED OTHER ENGAGEMENTS LATER IN THE AFTERNOON HENCE THE SUGGESTED 3:00 P.M. TIMING. MERCKELBACH SAID THAT IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES HE WOULD PROPOSE TO DEN UYL THAT HE RECEIVE THE CHIEF JUSTICE AT 3:00 P.M. AND HAVE THE PRESS CONFERENCE AT 4:00 P.M. DCM ASKED MERCKELBACH TO HAVE A TELEGRAM IN THIS VEIN SENT FROM THE FONOFF TO THE NETHERLANDS EMBASSY FOR COORDINATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT.

2. MRS. DEN UYL'S SCHEDULE: MERCKELBACH SAID THAT HE WAS UNAWARE OF WHAT EVENTS, IF ANY, MRS. TAMMEONOMS BAKKER

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WAS PLANNING FOR MRS. DEN UYL ON MAY 14 AND HE HAD NOT

HEARD WHETHER THE SUGGESTED TEA BY MRS. FORD WOULD TAKE PLACE. IN THE MEANWHILE, MRS. DEN UYL, IN KEEPING WITH HER INTEREST IN MEETING AS MANY AMERICAN WOMEN AS POSSIBLE, WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO AVAIL HERSELF OF MRS. GOULD'S OFFER OF HOSPITALITY. AFTER MERCKELBACH PROVIDED SOME SPECIFICS ON MRS. DEN UYL'S INTERESTS, DCM SUGGESTED MERCKELBACH HAVE FONOFF MESSAGE NETHERLANDS EMBASSY ON THIS SUBJECT AS WELL TO ASSURE SMOOTH COORDINATION AND PRECLUDE DUPLICATION OF EFFORTS.

3. MERCKELBACH AGREED THIS WAS A GOOD IDEA AND SAID HE WOULD REQUEST FONOFF TO SEND MESSAGE TO WASHINGTON ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:

QTE MRS. DEN UYL WOULD LIKE, IF COMPATIBLE WITH SCHEDULE BEING ARRANGED BY EMBASSY, TO ACCEPT THE OFFER OF HOSPITALITY IN WASHINGTON EXTENDED BY MRS. KINGDON GOULD, WIFE OF THE U.S. AMBASSADOR WHO IS HAPPY TO HOST A LUNCHEON OR A DINNER ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 14. MRS. DEN UYL WILL USE THE OCCASION TO MAKE A SHORT TALK ABOUT THE PROBLEM OF WOMEN IN HOLLAND AND THE OTHER EC COUNTRIES. MRS. GOULD IS AWARE OF MRS. DEN UYL'S INTEREST THAT GUESTS INCLUDE WOMEN ACTIVE IN PUBLIC LIFE, INCLUDING ARTS, LITERATURE AND THE WOMEN'S LIBERATION MOVEMENT. ONE SUCH GUEST, IF SHE IS AVAILABLE, WILL BE MRS. ARVONNE FRASER, WIFE OF THE U.S. REPRESENTATIVE FROM MINNESOTA. MRS. DEN UYL MET MRS. FRASER DURING HER RECENT VISIT TO THE NETHERLANDS AT A LUNCHEON GIVEN BY MRS. GOULD. PLEASE NOTIFY THE STATE DEPARTMENT TODAY WHETHER, FROM THE EMBASSY'S POINT OF VIEW, A LUNCHEON OR DINNER WOULD BE CONVENIENT SO THAT MRS. GOULD MAY MAKE THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS. UNQTE.

4. MERCKELBACH WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO SEE FRANK A. WISNER II (PA/M) SOMETIME DURING THE 14TH. DCM SAID HE WOULD ASK EUR/WE TO CONTACT WISNER AND TRY TO SET UP A MUTUALLY-CONVENIENT APPOINTMENT. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MERCKELBACH WAS GIVEN THE NAMES OF MRS. SHIRLEY AND MR. BARBOUR AS CONTACT POINTS IN THE DEPARTMENT FOR THIS AND ANY OTHER SCHEDULING MATTERS.

5. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING STATUS PROGRAMS FROM PRIME MINISTER AND MRS. DEN UYL AS SOON AS FEASIBLE AND PREFERABLY NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, MAY 9. PLEASE NOTE THAT MAY 8 IS A LOCAL HOLIDAY

HENCE ANY MESSAGES TO DELIVERED TO THE EMBASSY
ON THAT DATE SHOULD BE SENT NIACT IMMEDIATE.
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